

# STATE OF NEVADA



## BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

**\*PUBLIC NOTICE\***

### AGENDA

**Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 9:00AM  
at the following conference number:  
1-857-799-9907**

***NOTE: Per Emergency Order 006 issued by Governor Sisolak on March 22, 2020, there will be no physical location for this meeting.***

#### **Board Members Present**

Steve Damonte, DVM, President  
Ronald Sandoval, DVM, Vice President  
John Bullard, DVM  
Jacqueline Peterson  
James O'Dea, DVM  
Deborah White, DVM  
Michael Knehr, DVM  
Melissa Schalles, LVT

#### **Board Staff Present**

Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Directors  
Christina Johnson, LVT, Hospital Inspector  
John Crumley, DVM, Board Investigator  
Louis Ling, Esq., Board Counsel

Dr. Damonte, the Board president, call the meeting to order at 9:04 am. He took roll of Board members and staff, all were present. Dr. O’Dea left the meeting at 11:25 am and Mr. Ling left the at 3 pm.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. Approval of Consent Agenda for Possible Action**

- A. 11-2020DVM-78; 11-2020DVM-79**
- B. 11-2020DVM-80**
- C. 11-2020DVM-81**

**Discussion:** The complaints were reviewed by the Board.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to accept the review panels recommendations for dismissal for Items A – C.

**Second:** Dr. Knehr

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Damonte abstained from Item 1A; Dr. Sandoval abstained from Item 1B; Ms. Schalles abstained from Item 1C. Dr. White recused herself from Items 1A and 1B; Dr. Bullard recused himself from Items 1C.

*No public comment was given.*

**2. Approval of Board Minutes for Possible Action**

- A. January 21, 2021 Board Meeting minutes**

**Discussion:** No changes required.

**Motion:** Dr. White motioned to accept the January 21, 2021 minutes.

**Second:** Ms. Schalles

**Passed:** Unanimous.

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**3. Review & Determination of Complaints/Disciplinary Action & Disciplinary Hearings for Possible Action:** The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.030)

- A. 08-2020DVM-51: William Flannery, DVM (1320): Settlement Agreement**

**Discussion:** Mr. Ling reviewed the case and provided the Board with an overview of the proposed Settlement Agreement.

**Motion:** Dr. Damonte moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

**Second:** Dr. White

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Sandoval abstained.

No public comment given.

**B. 09-2020DVM-63: Brian Rokos, DVM (2730): Settlement Agreement or Board decision for Administrative Hearing.**

**Discussion:** The signed Settlement Agreement was not received prior to the meeting. The Board voted to go to hearing if an agreement is not reached.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to go to hearing if a signed Settlement Agreement is not received.

**Second:** Dr. White

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Damonte abstained.

No public comment given.

**C. 11-2020FAC-76**

**Discussion:** After presentation and discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board move to initiated disciplinary action against the facility.

**Motion:** Dr. Sandoval moved to have staff and Mr. Ling initiate disciplinary action the facility.

**Second:** Dr. O'Dea

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Bullard abstained.

No public comment given.

**D. 12-2020DVM-82**

**Discussion:** After discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board dismissed the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Motion:** Dr. O'Dea moved to dismiss the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous; Ms. Peterson abstained.

Public comment given.

**E. 12-2020DVM-83**

**Discussion:** After discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board had dismissed the complaint against the licensee because there was not sufficient evidence to determine that the licensees committed an act which constitutes a cause for disciplinary action.

**Motion:** Dr. O'Dea moved to dismiss the complaint.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Knehr abstained.

Public comment given.

**F. 12-2020DVM-84**

**Discussion:** After discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board dismissed the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Motion:** Dr. Sandoval moved to dismiss the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Second:** Dr. White

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Knehr abstained.

Public comment given.

**G. 01-2021DVM-01; 01-2021FAC-02**

**Discussion:** After presentation and discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board elected disciplinary action be initiated against the Dr. A (**01-2021DVM-01**) and dismiss the complaint against the facility (**01-2021FAC-02**) due to insufficient evidence.

**Motion:** Dr. White moved to have staff and Mr. Ling initiate disciplinary action against the licensee and dismiss the complaint against the facility.

**Second:** Dr. Knehr

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. O'Dea abstained; Dr. Sandoval recused himself.

Public comment given.

**H. 01-2021DVM-03**

**Discussion:** After presentation and discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board move to initiated disciplinary action against the licensee.

**Motion:** Dr. O'Dea moved to have staff and Mr. Ling initiate disciplinary action the licensee.

**Second:** Ms. Schalles

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. White abstained.

No public comment given.

**I. 01-2021DVM-04**

**Discussion:** After discussion of the complaint assessment with the review panel, the Board dismissed the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to dismiss the complaint with a Letter of Concern.

**Second:** Dr. O'Dea

**Passed:** Unanimous; Dr. Bullard abstained.

No public comment given.

**4. Requests for Review/Approval/Waiver of Licensure Requirement, Extensions, Education Approval, or Reinstatement (For Possible Action)**

**A. Vincent Alexis (DVM): Consideration for Reinstatement of License**

The Board moved to go into closed session to ask questions of Dr. Alexis' regarding his application.

**Motion:** Dr. Knehr moved to go into closed session.

**Second:** Ms. Schalles

**Passed:** Unanimous

**Discussion:** After questioning Dr. Alexis, the Board moved to come out of closed session to vote on the record.

**Motion:** Dr. White moved to exit closed session.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous

**Discussion:** After discussions, the Board moved that Dr. Alexis' veterinary license may be reinstated under certain provisions.

**Motion:** Dr. White moved that Dr. Alexis' license may be reinstated with certain provisions.

**Second:** Dr. Damonte

**Passed:** Unanimous

**B. Camila Dores (DVM): Consideration for Approval of Licensure Application**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Dores was present on the call.

**Motion:** Dr. Sandoval moved to approve Dr. Dores' application for a limited license in Pathology.

**Second:** Dr. White

**Passed:** Unanimous

**C. Kristin Anderson: Request for extension of VTIT Registration**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Anderson was present on the call.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to grant Ms. Anderson request and extend her VTIT for six months to complete externship.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous

**D. Ashlie Masters: Request for extension of VTIT Registration**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Masters was not present on the call.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to grant Ms. Masters request and extend her VTIT for six months to complete externship.

**Second:** Damonte

**Passed:** Unanimous

**E. Micaela Sampson: Request for extension of VTIT Registration**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Sampson was not present on the call.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to grant Ms. Sampson request and extend her VTIT for six months.

**Second:** Dr. Damonte

**Passed:** Unanimous

**F. Hector Pellot: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Mr. Pellot was not present on the call.

**Motion:** Ms. Schalles moved to deny Mr. Pellot's VTIT registration request.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous.

**G. Zulee De La Cruz: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. De La Cruz was present on the call.

**Motion:** Dr. White moved to accept Ms. De La Cruz education for licensure.

**Second:** Dr. Bullard

**Passed:** Unanimous.

**5. Request by Stephanie Solis (DVM) for waiver of continuing education requirement for 2020 renewal due to extraordinary circumstances per NAC 638.043. (For Possible Action)**

**Discussion:** The Board reviewed Dr. Solis' request and documentation.

**Motion:** Dr. Knehr moved to accept Dr. Solis' education for licensure.

**Second:** Dr. Damonte

**Passed:** Unanimous.

**6. Discussion of CPR Guidelines and Parameters (For Possible Action)**

The Board discussed setting up possible guideline for practitioners regarding the administration of CPR in hospitals for DVM's and facilities. Dr. Knehr recommended a Board policy statement for better understanding for Nevada licensees in the NV veterinary community.

**7. Board meeting dates for 2022 and 2023**

**2022 dates**

January 20, 2022

April 21, 2022

July 21, 2022

October 20, 2022

**2023 dates**

January 19, 2023

April 20, 2023

July 20, 2023

October 19, 2023

**8. Staff Reports for Possible Action**

**A. Administrative Report- Christina Johnson, LVT**

Ms. Johnson reviewed the administrative reports.

**B. Financial Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director**

**C. FY22 and FY23 Budget Request-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director**

Ms. Pedigo presented the 2022 and 2023 budget for approval.

**Motion:** Dr. Sandoval moved to approve the proposed budget for 2022 and 2023.

**Second:** Dr. Knehr

**Passed:** Unanimous.

**D. Legal Report, Louis Ling, Esq**

Mr. Ling updated the Board on pending DETR case.

**E. Legislative Report- Neena Laxalt**

Ms. Nina Laxalt presented the legislative update.

**9. Agenda items for next meeting**

1. Review anesthesia protocols and make possible recommendations.
2. Discuss a possible legislative committee for future legislation.

**10. Public Comment:**

No public comment given.

**11. Adjournment for Possible Action**

**Motion:** Dr. White moved to adjourn at 2:44 pm.

**Second:** Dr. Sandoval

**Passed:** Unanimous.